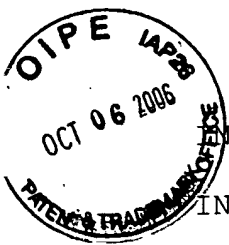


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WITH VARIABLE LEVEL DETECTION**

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In the above-referenced Patent No. 7,090,431, issued August 15, 2006, Applicants have noted the following errors in the application file of the issued patent:

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Please replace the current Figure 4 in the patent, with the attached Figure 4 drawing sheet which has been amended. A red-line copy of the drawing is attached.

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Applicants respectfully submit that the corrections made herein do not involve substantive changes relating to the scope of the invention, nor do the corrections include new matter which would require reexamination.

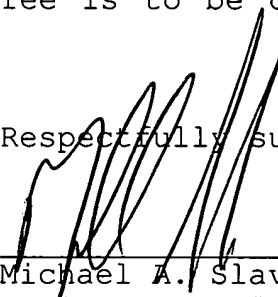
The term "IN" has been replaced with the term "ABOVE" in Figures 4 and 5.

Thus, as evidenced by the above remarks, no new matter is presented by the corrections to the patented invention made herein.

### **CONCLUSION**

Applicants respectfully request that a Certificate of Correction be issued for US Patent No. 7,090,431 (issued on August 15, 2006). The appropriate fee is to be charged to Applicants' Deposit Account No. 13-0439.

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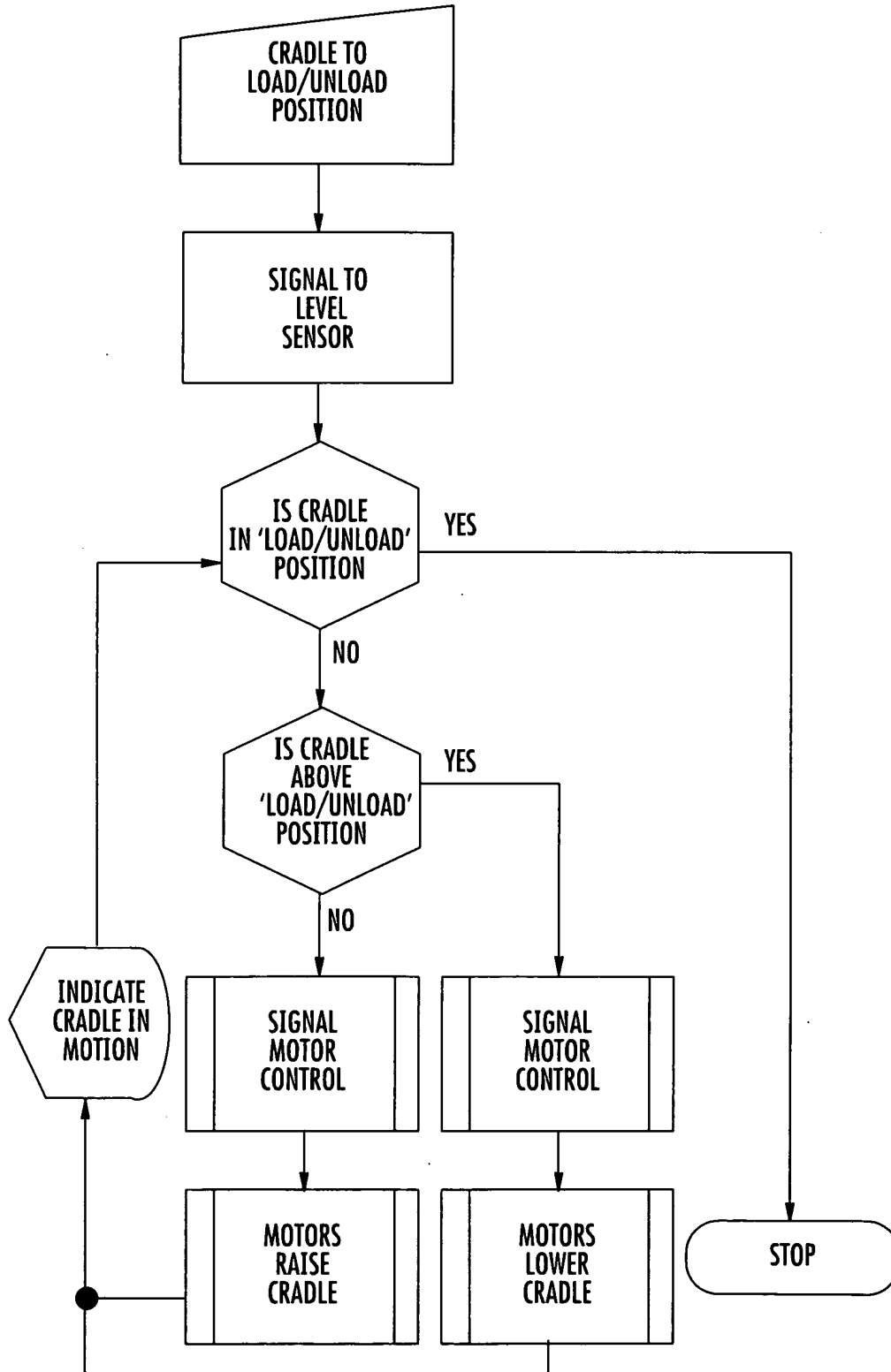


FIG. 4

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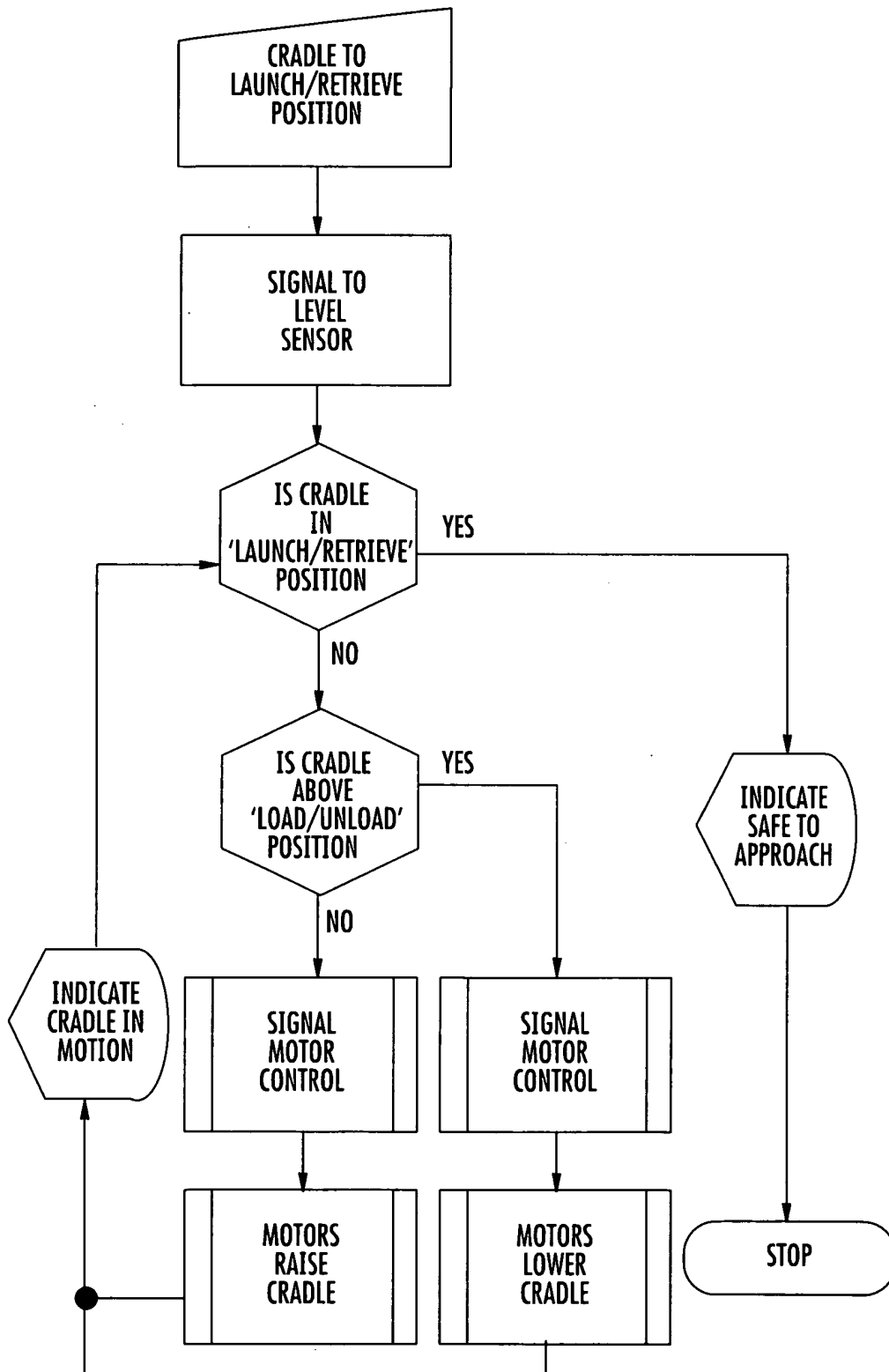


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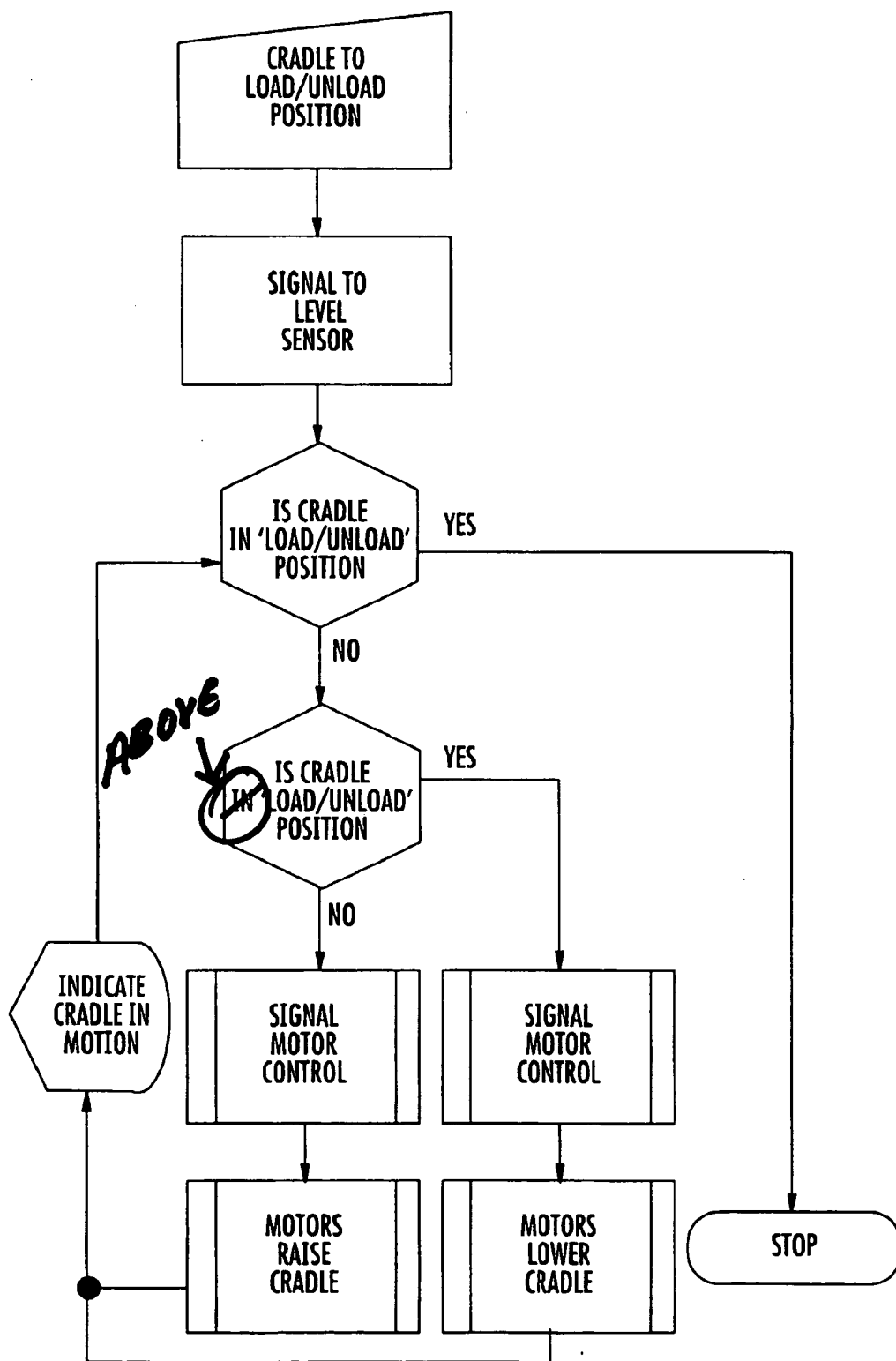


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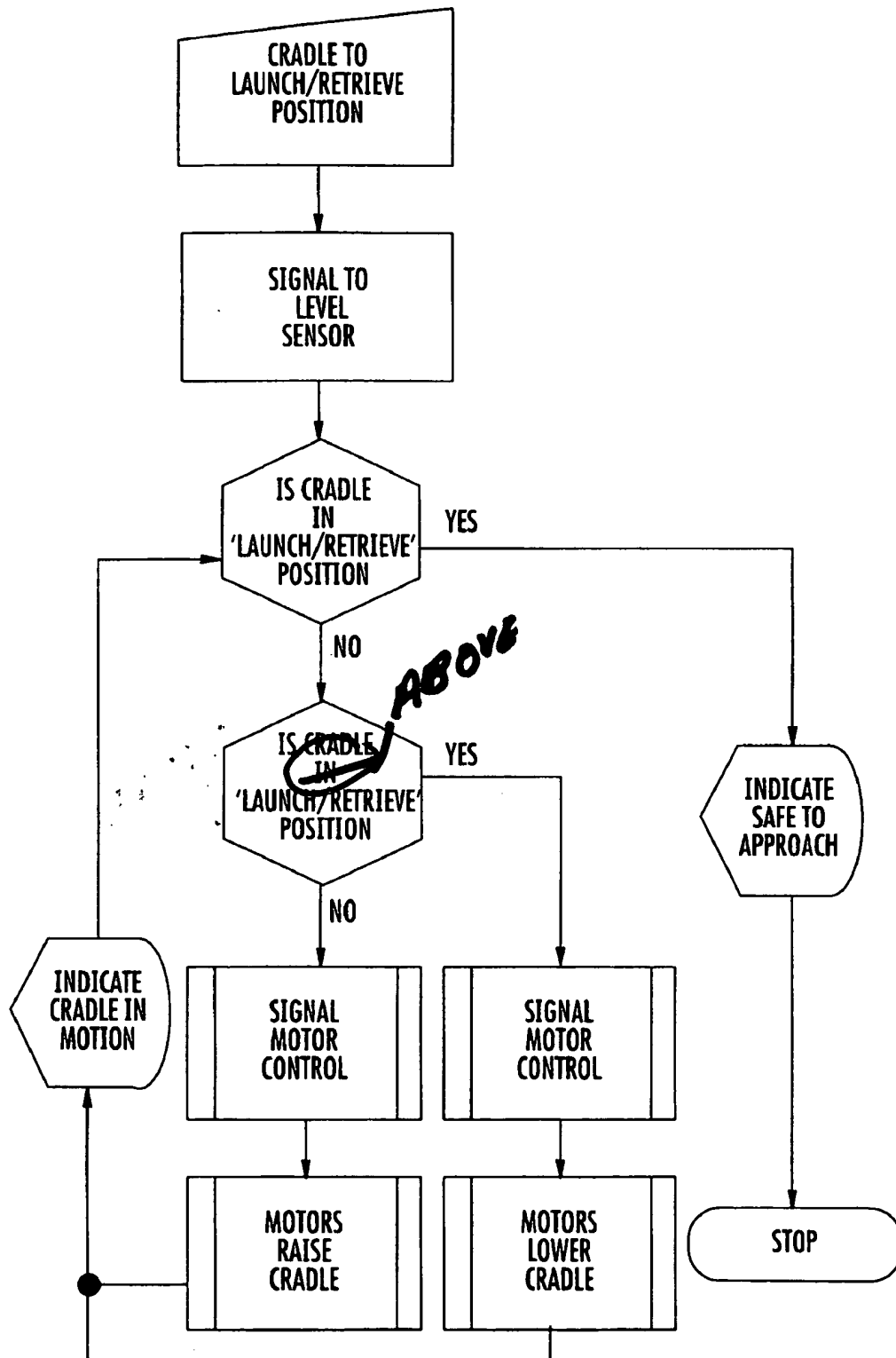


FIG. 5